

111TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5986

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## AN ACT

To require the submission of a report to the Congress on  
parasitic disease among poor Americans.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2   *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Neglected Infections  
3 of Impoverished Americans Act of 2010”.

4 **SEC. 2. REPORT TO CONGRESS ON THE CURRENT STATE OF**  
5 **PARASITIC DISEASES THAT HAVE BEEN**  
6 **OVERLOOKED AMONG THE POOREST AMERI-**  
7 **CANS.**

8       (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 12 months after  
9 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
10 Health and Human Services shall report to the Congress  
11 on the epidemiology of, impact of, and appropriate funding  
12 required to address neglected diseases of poverty, includ-  
13 ing neglected parasitic diseases such as—

- 14           (1) Chagas disease;  
15           (2) cysticercosis;  
16           (3) toxocariasis;  
17           (4) toxoplasmosis;  
18           (5) trichomoniasis;  
19           (6) the soil-transmitted helminths; and  
20           (7) other related diseases, as designated by the  
21 Secretary.

22       (b) REQUIRED INFORMATION.—The report under  
23 subsection (a) should provide the information necessary to  
24 guide future health policy to—

- 1           (1) accurately evaluate the current state of
- 2           knowledge concerning diseases described in such
- 3           subsection and define gaps in such knowledge; and
- 4           (2) address the threat of such diseases.

Passed the House of Representatives September 28,  
2010.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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